

## **Hart Beat**

(An E-update for CNYBA Pastors and Key Leaders)

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### **Hart to Heart**

- As you may already know, I spent ten days of the last two weeks on a disaster relief call-out down in PA. My assignment was to operate the BCNY Disaster Relief Shower/Laundry Unit. On Monday, Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, I picked the unit up at **Lakeshore, Cicero** and took it home. I spent the next day familiarizing myself with the unit. On Wednesday, Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>, Lary Hyde & I took the unit to Ulster, PA and set it up. On Thursday, Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> we began operations and continued through Friday breakfast, August 31<sup>st</sup>. I took off on Sunday, Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, to preach at **Jefferson BC**. We had several groups of volunteers from Florida cycle through throughout the stay, with a high count for several days of 30 volunteers. I estimate that we washed and folded at least 125 loads of laundry and, I assume, a like number of showers, sanitizing 7 showers, 2 shower room floors, and 2 parsonage bathrooms daily. We were fortunate to have use of the empty parsonage next door to the church where we were set up, which had two showers and a washer and dryer. I was also fortunate to have the help of three ladies (a few days each), the last of which was Lyn after we moved our camper to a nearby RV park to make more sleeping room for volunteers in the parsonage.
- Saturday was our first day home. I slept in, got my desk cleared off, went through 693 emails, and had plans to mow the yard. I got distracted and watched the Arkansas Razorbacks play in the first game of the season. The grass had to wait until today.
- Since I just discovered that the registration on my truck ran out last June, I will wait until after I get a new registration Tuesday morning before taking the BCNY shower/laundry unit back to **Lakeshore, Cicero**.
- **Northside Baptist Church in Liverpool, NY**, invites you to attend a training workshop for short-term missions team leaders. If you would like to learn how to organize effective, successful, meaningful short-term missions teams, this workshop will give you the tools you need. The workshop will be held from 7:00-9:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19 and 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20. It will be hosted by Northside Baptist (7965 Oswego Rd, Liverpool, NY 13090) and presented by Don Johnson of SEND International. The cost of the workshop is \$60/person, and includes a Team Leader's Manual as well as breakfast and lunch on Saturday (travel & accommodations are the attendees' responsibility). If you're interested, you can register on-line at <https://www.send.org/events/details/o9team-leader-training> or by mail at the address given on the SEND web page.

Thanks.  
Peter Thiemann

- The CNYBA Annual Meeting will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 'til Noon. The place will be somewhere in the Syracuse area and will be announced soon.
- On Thursday morning Rickey Fuller, pastor at **Beacon Light, Vernon**, will have knee replacement surgery at Crouse Hospital in Syracuse. Please be in prayer for Bro. Rickey and for his wife, Deanna, as they go through this trauma. I would normally be there for the surgery, but Thursday AM six of the 18 CNYBA group going to the Fall Retreat @ The Cove in NC will be in a van headed south. If any of you have opportunity to get by to visit with Deanna on Thursday, and/or with Rickey during his hospital stay, please do so.
- **Starpoint, Clifton Park** will be celebrating 15 years as a church on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Every adult present will receive a FREE 15-year anniversary t-shirt! Dr. Roscoe Lilly is Pastor.
- **Emory Chapel, Barton** will have another Coffee Hour Fellowship at Wendy's in Sayre, PA on Sept 5. They will have a Communion Service on Sept 9. On Sept 15 they will have an open mic time of worship and praise, followed by light refreshments. On Sept 23 they will have a fellowship meal following the morning worship service. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- Syracuse University welcomed 4,000 new students to campus this week. **Baptist Campus Ministry** and Director Devon Bartholomew are overjoyed to be on this campus helping students find a home while in Syracuse. BCM exists to be an accessible church to the campus community, and will encourage each person as they respond to Jesus' call to follow him. They helped with Goon Squad moving students into their rooms, Orange Blast Involvement Fair, RA trainings, international student orientation, and more! They held their first worship service of the year this past Sunday. Devon completed his final seminary class this summer. He'll receive his Masters of Theological Studies in December! His ordination to the gospel ministry is scheduled for October 28 during Syracuse University's Family Weekend at Hendricks Chapel.
- The 49th BCNY Annual Conference is scheduled for September 23-25, 2018 at Trinity Baptist Church, Niskayuna NY. More information can be found at the BCNY web site, [www.bcnysbc.org](http://www.bcnysbc.org).
- Lary Hyde is conducting Disaster Relief Training on September 15th at **Open Bible Fellowship, Catatonk** and on September 22nd at **Lakeshore, Cicero**. The cost is \$30 per person, which includes an ID badge, registration, background

check, hat, shirt, and paperwork. There will also be Disaster Relief Chaplaincy Training in New Jersey on October 1-2. One of the requirements for chaplaincy training is that you must first be Disaster Relief certified. For more information contact Lary Hyde at 623-302-0080.

- On Sunday past Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Lakeshore, Cicero**, where Mike McMahon has been pastor since January 2014. After church we enjoyed fellowship with Pastor Mike and Beth over lunch.
- On Thursday coming I will be traveling to the Billy Graham Training Center in Asheville, NC with a CNYBA group of 18. We'll return the following Monday – just in time to get The Hart Beat out next week. If you have “news” about things happening at your church, please email or text me with details so I can share it with others through this newsletter.

### **This Week in Preview**

- Sun (2<sup>nd</sup>) – BD Vickie Barrows (PW @ Clyde BC)
- Mon (3<sup>rd</sup>) – ANV Devon & Kate Bartholomew (P&W @ Baptist Campus Ministry)
- Tues (4<sup>th</sup>) – BD Jon Speed (Pastor @ Christ is King, Syracuse)
- Thurs (6<sup>th</sup>) – BD Rick Martin (CNYBA Missionary to Peru)
- Fri – Sun = The Fall Get-away @ The Cove, NC

### **Missionary of the Week**

- One of our international missionaries, we'll call her Ruth, serves in a country in Southeast Asia where the work is very slow and dangerous. Many of the people there are fearful because they believe in spirits that try to harm them. They think their lives cannot be changed because the future is already decided. Ruth is our missionary because we support her through our church's Cooperative Program giving. Today let's pray for Ruth as she talks to people in Southeast Asia about the one true God who sent Jesus Christ to free us of such fears and to give us hope for daily living.

### **Have You Heard This One?**

- Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, 'Why is the bride dressed in white?' The mother replied, 'Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life.' The child thought about this for a moment then said, 'So why is the groom wearing black?'